

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend Claims 1 and 4 as indicated below, and cancel Claim 5.

1. (Currently Amended) A water-swellaable waterproof sealant, which comprises water-absorbent resin particles (A) sealed within a polyhedron (B) composed of a water-permeable sheet, wherein the polyhedron has a structure in which the inside thereof is partitioned into a plurality of rooms, at least one of the partitioned rooms being a fully enclosed chamber, said fully enclosed chamber fully enclosed with a partition and the rest of the rooms being an open chamber leading to the outside of the polyhedron (B), said water-absorbent resin particles (A) being sealed within said fully enclosed chamber.

2. (Original) The water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1, wherein said polyhedron (B) has a configuration such that said polyhedron (B) containing sealed therein swollen water-absorbent resin particles (A) after absorbing water has at least two planar faces.

3. (Original) The water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1, wherein said polyhedron (B) becomes rectangular or cubic after the water-absorbent resin particles (A) swollen absorbing water.

4. (Currently Amended) The water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1, wherein said polyhedron (B) has a seam along each edge thereof ~~is provided with a stitch on the side.~~

5. (Canceled)

6. (Original) The water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1, wherein said water-absorbent resin particles (A) has an average particle diameter of 100 - 850 $\mu$ m, a rate of swelling of 3 - 50 seconds, a water absorbency of 20 - 1,000 g/g, a ratio of a water retention to water absorbency of 0.55 - 1.00, a gel modulus of  $2 \times 10^3$  -  $12 \times 10^3$  N/m<sup>2</sup>, a water soluble content of not more than 30% by mass, a residual water soluble monomer content of not more than 500 ppm, and a blocking resistance to moisture of not more than 9%.

7. (Original) The water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1, wherein it takes 0.5 - 5 minutes to increase the weight of said water-swellaable waterproof sealant by 15 kg when immersed in deionized water.

8. (Original) A waterproof sealant formed by water-absorption of the water-swellaable waterproof sealant of Claim 1.